GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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COUNSELLING SERVICES FOR CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that counselling services for children are mushrooming hapazardly in the country;

(b) whether the Government propose to regulate and improve their quality by laying down criteria for licensing and certification of counsellors;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any uniform standard for these services at present; and

(e) if so, the time by which the criteria is likely to be laid down for this purpose by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JAS KAUR MEENA)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e) Government is engaged in a planning exercise to upgrade and professionalise counselling services for children. As of now, there is no firm proposal for establishing standardization or licensing of counselling services.